Preparedness Update

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EMS and Preparedness Section (EMSPS)

EMSPS works with a variety of other federal, state, local, and private sector groups to ensure the state is prepared to deal with any public health emergency.



State Health Operations Center (SHOC)

Coordinates response and recovery for public health and medical emergencies.





Strategic National Stockpile (SNS)

Provides pharmaceuticals, antidotes, and medical supplies to

strategically located warehouses in Delaware, designed to supplement and re-supply state and local public health agencies during a national emergency or disaster.



National Disaster Medical System

Supplements state and local emergency medical response during a disaster or major emergency.



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Supplies and Equipment



DPH resources are housed in a secured centralized warehouse that deploys equipment using a series of trailers.

Public Health Preparedness Capabilities

- 1. Community Preparedness
- 2. Community Recovery
- 3. Emergency Operations Coordination
- 4. Emergency Public Information/Warning
- 5. Fatality Management
- 6. Information Sharing
- 7. Mass Care
- 8. Medical Countermeasures Dispensing

Public Health Preparedness Capabilities, cont.

- 9. Medical Material Management/Distribution
- 10. Medical Surge
- 11. Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions
- 12. Public Health Laboratory Testing
- 13. Public Health Surveillance and Epidemiological Investigations
- 14. Responder Safety and Health
- 15. Volunteer Management

Current Projects

- Mass vaccination exercises
- Plans update and revision project
- Performance measures
- Public Health Preparedness Symposium
 October 16, 2012 in Dover, DE